Sudbury Public Schools Sudbury, Massachusetts School Committee Regular Meeting Wednesday, December 15, 2004

**Present:** Bill Braun, Chairperson, Jane Santinelli, Vice Chairperson (at 8:15 p.m.)

Members: Rich Robison, Susan Iuliano, Alexa Crowe

Also Present: Dr. John Brackett, Superintendent, Robert Milley, Assistant Superintendent,

Mary Will, Director of Business & Finance, Debbie Dixson, SPED

Administrator, Mary Mahoney, SEA

Bill Braun called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

### Open Forum I

No comments.

# I. School Committee Report

### A. Bill Schedule

A bill schedule was presented.

# B. Donation to Sudbury Public Schools

**VOTED:** On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Rich Robison, to accept a donation of a 3/4 Violin Outfit by Helaine Cohen. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

## II. Superintendent's Report

#### A. Recognitions

The Superintendent recognized Pat Hartvigsen, Noyes Teacher, and Betsy Grams, Wellness Coordinator, on their work with the anti-bullying program and noted a recent article in the Boston Globe that highlighted the Program.

The Superintendent recognized the Members of the Space and Growth Task Teams for their efforts.

### B. Vote on Revolving Accounts

**VOTED**: On a motion by Alexa Crowe, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to approve the continuation of the Bus Revolving Account, the Early Childhood Revolving Account, and the Instrumental Music Revolving Account. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

### C. 2005-2006 School Calendar Start Date

The Superintendent presented a revised 2005-2006 Calendar with a start date of September 1, 2005 for Teachers and a September 6, 2005 start date for students. The Superintendent also presented a draft calendar for L-S but noted that it is not finalized. There was discussion about coordinating the calendar with L-S, however the Committee assumes that L-S will start after Labor Day.

**VOTED**: On a motion by Rich Robison, seconded by Alexa Crowe, to accept a start date of September 1, 2005 for Teachers and a September 6, 2005 start date for Students. The vote was

4-0 in favor.

### D. Creation of Lead Teacher Position

The Superintendent stated that feedback would be given to the Committee after this newly created position has been implemented regarding its effectiveness. The person in this position would not be involved in the supervision of staff, but would assist in the day to day administrative responsibilities. This position could be shared by two or more teachers.

**VOTED:** On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Alexa Crowe, to approve the creation of a Lead Teacher Position. The vote was 4-0 in favor,

# E. Growth Task Team Report

Don Kennedy of NESDEC presented a report on Demography and Enrollment Projections. Don thanked other members of the Growth Task Team: Kathy Kloft, Joellen Samojla, and Beth Farrell.

# F. Space Task Team Report

Beth Rust, Haynes Parent, Faith Chen, Noyes Parent, Michelle MacDonald, Loring Parent, Cat Strahan, Nixon Parent, and Mary Will presented a Space Inventory report. Bill Braun thanked the members of the Growth and Space Task Teams for their efforts.

## G. Adoption of FY '06 Budget

The Superintendent presented four Budget Scenarios - an Essential Needs Budget, a Level Service Budget, a Level Staff Budget, and a 3% Budget. The Superintendent recommend the Essential Needs Budget.

**VOTED**: On a motion by Jane Santinelli, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to adopt Scenario 1: Essential Needs Budget of \$24,452,626. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

# **Open Forum II**

No comments.

### III. Communications

As outlined in the Communications Packet.

### IV. Minutes

**VOTED**: On a motion by Jane Santinelli, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to accept the minutes of the December 1, 2004 Regular Session with the following change: "Richmond" to "Richman." The vote was 5-0 in favor.

## V. Personnel Action

As outlined in the Personnel Packet.

#### Member's Forum

Bill Braun suggested that the next School Committee meeting be an informal discussion of the Space and Growth Reports as well as continued discussion on the Budget.

**VOTED**: On a motion by Jane Santinelli, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 5-0 in favor. The time was 11:20 p.m.

Yes Bill Braun

Yes Jane Santinelli

Yes Rich Robison

Yes Alexa Crowe

Yes Susan Iuliano

Submitted by Joanne Bleiler, Recording Secretary